

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

July 5, 2017

MR. JOHN GREENEWALD JR.

FOIPA Request No.: 1378735-000

Subject: ABRAMSON, HAROLD ALEXANDER

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

Records responsive to your request were previously processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Enclosed is one CD containing 16 pages of previously processed documents and a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions. This release is being provided to you at no charge.

Documents or information referred to other Government agencies were not included in this release.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

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Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you
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Sincerely,

David M. Hardy Section Chief, Record/Information Dissemination Section

Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence:
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service he release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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a preliminary inquiry (X) concerning the above named individual. This investigation is to be assigned immediately and the results mailed to reach the Bureau by_

Attached for your assistance is a photostatic copy of the Request for Report on Loyalty Data furnished to the Bureau on this individual.

The Bureau files contain the following information regarding this person: Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Themas N. Berry dated April 12, 1947, at New York entitled "Philip H. Levy, Internal Security - R."
Page 9 states that "the files of the New York Field Division reflect information that one KA A. Abramson was present at a Testimonial Dinner in New York, to 7C year old Socia Prevolutionery, Victor Cherney, according to information received April 10, 3944. This dinner was the occasion for vetorans of the non-Bolshevik Left to recall their parts in the Russian Revolution of 1917 and to plan a common attitude toward future tasks. The dinner took place March 26, 1944, at the Park Central Hotel. Information reflects that the telephone number Plaza 3-8336 was listed under Harold Alexander Abramson, M. D., 133 East 58th Street, New York City and that this individual was known as a contact of the Loague of American Rights, alleged to be a Communist front organization in 1941." (100-335075-216)

The New York office is requested to conduct a preliminary inquiry to determine if there is substantive disloyal information concerning appointee. If such information is developed, a full field investigation should be initiated and the Bureau and auxiliary offices advised immediately by teletype. The Washington Field Office should check the records of the appropriate government Very truly yours, overnment agencies if converted.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. AUGUST 15, 1949

Transmit the following message to SAC, NEW YORK

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HAROLD ALEXANDER ABRANSON, ARMY, LGE. REURLET AUGUST NINE REQUESTING BUREAU ADVISE LOCATION REFERENCES TO APPOINTEE IN CASE ENTITLED PHILIP H. LEVY. INT. SEC. - R. REFER FOLLOWING REPORTS STANLEY W, ROSS AT NYC, APRIL NINE, FORTY FIVE, PAGES TWENTY THREE AND TWENTY SIX, JUNE TWENTY SEVEN, FORTY FIVE, PAGE FORTY ONE, SEPTEMBER NINETERN, FORTY FIVE, PAGES LIGHT AND SIXTEEN, OCTOBER THIRTY ONE, FORTY FIVE, PAGES NINETEEN AND THIRTY. ALSO REFER REPORT SA THOMAS N. BERRY, NYC, OCTOPER EICHT, FORTY SEVEN, PAGE NINE, AND REPORT SA EDWARD O. BURKE, NEWARK, NOVEMBER TWENTY THREE, FORT'S EIGHT, PAGE FIFTY SEVEN. THIS CASE IS ONE OF THE OLDEST PRELIMINARY INQUIRIES PENDING AT THIS TIME. IT MUST RECEIVE IMMEDIATE AND CONSTANT ATTENTION UNTIL BROUGHT TO LOGICAL CONCLUSION. SUBST BY AUGUST NINETEEN NEXT.

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Rederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C.

July 23, 1949

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SAC, New York

Harold Alexander Abramson RE:

LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Dear Sir:

The dead line for the above-captioned loyalty investigation has passed and the Bureau has not received an investigative report in this matter from your office. You are instructed to immediately submit a report.

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In the event a report has been submitted, you should make a notation of the date on which it was submitted on this letter and roturn it to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

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Reason for delay:

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Director, FBI

DATE: July 5, 1949

FROM :

SAC, New York

SUBJECT:

HAROLD ALEXANDER ABRAMSON CONSULTANT - APPOINTER DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY ARMY CHEMICAL CENTER MARYLAND

Reference is made to Bulet to New York, 6/22/49.

This case has been delayed due to the delay in the receipt of agency checks. Every effort is being made to complete investigation by July 8, next.

SPECIAL DELIVERY

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: Director, FBI

DATE: July 8, 1949

SAC, New York

SUBJECT: HAROLD ALEXANDER ABRAMSON Consultant - Appointee Department of the Army Army Chemical Center, Maryland LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Reference is made to Bureau letter to New York dated June 22, 1949.

Miss LETTY J. BECK, rental agent at 315 East 68th Street, New York City, advised that she has known the appointee since 1934. She stated that he rented at that apartment house from October, 1934 to August, 1942. She advised that her records reflect that he had an office at 133 East 58th Street, New York City. Miss BECK further advised that she Considered the appointee to be a loyal American citizen.

Mr. HERMAN TEGMEIER, 316 East 68th Street, New York City, stated that he knew the appointee for about twelve years and that he considered Dr. ABRAMSON to be a loval American citizen,

Mr. RICHARD T. HENSHAW, a partner in Vaught, Word and Nichols, Inc., which firm is the rental agent for 133 East 58th Street, advised that he has known the appointee since 1935 and stated that he would willingly give Dr. ABRAMSON an unqualified recommendation as to his loyalty to the United States. Mr. HENSHAW further stated that the appointee is very proud of his military service and is especially proud of a Legion of Merit decoration that he won.

Mr. GEORGE ELWOOD, Postmaster of Cold Spring Harbor, New York, advised that he has known Dr. AHRAMSON for three years and considers him to be a loyal American citizen.

Miss GLORIA WHITE, also of the Cold Spring Harbor Post Office . and who has also know the appointee for three years, stated that she believes him to be a loyal American.

EUGENE F. FOLEY, D.D.S., 47 New Street, Huntington, New York, stated that he has known Dr. ARRAMSON for three years; that they have offices in the same building; and that he has no reason to doubt the appointee's loyalty.

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Letter to.Director NY 121-7468

The Board of Elections, Borough of Manhattan, New York reflects no registration for the appointee but they do reflect that in 1940 and 1941 BARBARA ABRAMSON of 315 East 68th Street registered as a voter of one of the two major political parties.

The records of the Nassau County Board of Elections at Mineola, New York reflect that the appointee registered in 1946, 1947, and 1948 but did not denote his party affiliations.

The records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department were checked with negative results.

The records of the Huntington Police Department, Huntington, New York were checked with negative results.

The records of the Nassau County Police Department, Mineola were also checked with negative results.

The following Confidential Informants	who are
reliable and who are cognizant of Communist activities in the area, advised that they do not know the appointee:	

Since this inquiry did not develop any substantive information indicating disloyalty on the part of the employee, no further investigation will be conducted in the absence of instructions to the contrary from the Bureau. RUC.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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(Personal Attention)

July 29, 1949

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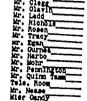
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John Laboy Jr. - Army
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The above cases are being brought to your personal attention to insure that they are being properly investigated and supervised by your office with a view towards completion thereof at the carlinat possible moment. The Bureau is holding you personally responsible for the immediate completion of these cases even though one or more of such cases may have been recently opened in your office by referral of leads from the Eurosu or another sumiliary office.

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TO : Director, FEI

DATE: August 9, 1949

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JP FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: HAROLD ALEXANDER ABRAMSON
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Department of the Army
Army Chemical Center, Maryland
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LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
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Reference Bureau teletype to New York dated July 15, 1949.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent G. STUART HANDY, Jr., dated May 18, 1943 at New York, entitled, " 'The Protestant', formerly known as the 'Protestant Digest', Internal Security - C." On page 6 one H. ALABRAMSON is listed as one of the individuals who attended the inaugural meeting of the Textbook Commission on November 30, 1942. No identifying data as to ABRAMSON is available in this report. The report reflects that this information was furnished by a Mr. FRANK EVANS, 25 East 39th Street, New York City.

Mrs. LORAINE STEVENS, Manager, 25 East 39th Street, New York City, advised that she does not recall a Mr. EVANS and that her records of tenants have all been destroyed prior to 1945.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent THOMAS N. HERRY, dated April 12, 1947 at New York City entitled, "PHILIP H. LEVY, Internal Security - R," which reflects that HAROLD ALEXANDER ABRAMSON, MD, 133 East 58th Street, New York City was known as a contact of the League of American Writers. It is believed that SA HEPRY obtained the above information from the New York files which reflect that an informant, now unknown to the New York Office, reported that, "Dr. HAROLD ALEXANDER ABRAMSON, 133 East 38th Street, 1941, contacts, the League of American Writers."

Reference Bureau teltype states that there are numerous references to the appointee in the case entitled, "PHILIP H. LEVY, Internal Security - R," New York file 100-68240. The New York indices reflect only two references to the appointee in this file: (1) The report of SA THOMAS N. HERRY dated April 12, 1947 and (2) The report of SA WILLIAM J. FLYNN dated January 26, 1945 at Newark, New Jersey, which reflects that the subject, PHILIP H. LEVY, telephoned the appointee. The Bureau is requested to advise the New York Office of additional references to the appointee in the above mentioned file.

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TO Director, FBI

DATE: August 19, 1949

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HAROLD ALEXANDER ABRAMSON Consultant - Appointee Department of the Army Army Chemical Center, Maryland LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

(Bureau file 121-18593)

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Re Bureau teletype to New York, 7/15/49.

Reference is made to the report of SA Stanley W. Ross, dated September 19, 1945, at New York, in the case entitled, "PHILIP H. LEVY; INTERNAL SECURITY - Rm. This report reflects the following information, which was obtained by SA William W. Bradburn through the monitoring of the Banfo C Account of PHILIP H. LEVY:

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Reference is made to the report of SA Stanley W. Ross, dated October 31, 1945, at New York, in the case entitled, "PHILIP H. LEVY; INTERNAL SECURITY - R". This report reflects an additional check drawn on the account of PHILIP LEVY dated September 13, 1945, made payable to Dr. H.A. ABRAMSON in the amount of \$25.00. This information was obtained by SA William W. Bradburn, through monitoring of the bank accounts of PHILIP H. LEVY.

Reference is made to the report of SA Thomas N. Berry, dated October 8, 1947, at New York, entitled, "PHILIP H. LEVY; INTERNAL SECURITY - R". This report reflects two additional checks drawn on the account of PHILIP H. LEVY, and made payable to Dr. H.A. ABRAMSON. One of these checks was dated March 28, 1947, and the other April 15, 1947, and both were for the amount of \$25.00. This information was obtained from monitoring the bank account of PHILIP H. TEAX.

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considered as a clearance or recommendation of the individual involved."

Letter to Director, FBI NY 121-7468

Reference is made to the report of SA Edward G. Burke, dated
November 23, 1948, at Newark, entitled, "PHILIP H. LEVY; INTERNAL
SECURITY - R". This report reflects on page 57 that from photostatic copies
of the 1944, 1945 and 1946 U. S. Income Tax Returns of PHILIP H. LEVY, it
was ascertained that LEVY claimed to have paid during 1944 and 1945 \$655.00
to Dr. HAROLD A ABRANSON. This report also reflects that Confidential
Informant advised that Mr. and Mrs. LEVY both had series of appointments with Doctor ABRAMSON, whose offices are at 133 East 58th Street, New
York City. According to this report on December 15, 1944, SA's Samuel
G. Riley and Ralph H. Perry, observed Mrs. LEVY entering the office of
Dr. ABRAMSON at 5:30 PM. She appeared to open the door to the office with
a key although there were lights on in the office.

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Dr. ADOLPH A. LILIEN, 46 East 80th Street, New York City, advised that he has known the appointee for twenty years and that he and Dr. ABRAMSON had maintained the same office at 133 East 58th Street, New York City, for a number of years. He stated that Mr. and Mrs. PHILIP LEVY had been patients of Dr. ABRAMSON and that when Dr. ABRAMSON went into the United States Army he, (Dr. LILIEN) had taken care of his patients, until the appointee returned from the Army. He stated that the appointee "is anti-Communist and he hates the Reds more than anything clse." According to Dr. LILIEN the appointee is 100% American and is loyal to the United States Government. It is noted that the files of the New York Office reflect no information on LILIEN.

It is to be noted that on the Appointee's Loyalty Form he states he served in the United States Army from 1942 to 1946. This fact is deemed significant.

Since this inquiry did not develop any substantive information indicating disloyalty on the part of the appointee, no further investigation will be conducted in the absence of instructions to the contrary from the Bureau. Ruc.

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